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Convention Board Receipts up \$34,999

Cooperative Program receipts so far this Convention year have increased \$34,999.93 over the same period last year, according to figures released by J. E. Lane, Treasurer of the Convention Board.

The period covers November, December and through the 14th of January. This year's receipts were \$194,511.94 as compared to \$159,512.01 for the same period last year.

Total designated gifts this year were \$176,266.59 as compared to designations of \$171,443.31 last year.

Grand total contributions received through the Convention Board office for the above period this year were \$370,778.53, as compared with \$330,955.32 last year.

It is noted that Cooperative Program receipts have shown a much larger percentage gain than designated gifts.

Temperance Com. Opposes Referendum

The Temperance Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, meeting in all day session last Tuesday, reiterated its stand against beverage alcohol in all forms, declaring its opposition to repeal or weakening of the present liquor laws, took a strong stand against a liquor referendum, and reaffirmed its faith in the United Dry Association.

Rev. J. B. Smith of Magee, Chairman of the committee in issuing a statement said the committee felt that it was reflecting the convictions of a vast majority of Mississippi Baptists.

In regard to its stand on opposition to a referendum, the full statement of the committee is given as follows:

"The Committee must take a firm stand in opposition to the idea of a referendum in Mississippi, even at the risk of being misunderstood by some. The only reasonable justification of such a vote we feel is that it would establish the will of the people, or 'Let the people speak.'

"Certainly we do not oppose this Democratic procedure, but we submit that the people have spoken in no uncertain terms. In 1934 when they last voted on the question of legalized liquor, it was defeated overwhelmingly, and since wine and beer were legalized that same year, 54 counties out of the 82, have said by their vote that they do not even want the wine and beer.

"In spite of these facts the usual liquor bill was introduced in 1936 and practically every beer election which has been held has been carried through the highest court, always on legal technicalities, before it could be put into effect.

"We do not believe that the people have changed their minds. Two months ago the most recent county-wide beer election resulted in the out-lawing of wine and beer.

"Although seven elections have been held under the municipal local option

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Dr. John E. Barnes Named President of Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of the State Convention Board met on Jan. 15 for its initial meeting of the year and elected Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., of Hattiesburg as chairman.

Elected as vice-chairman was Rev. C. W. Thompson of Aberdeen and secretary, Rev. Robert Martin of Batesville. Other members present were: Rev. Van Hardin, of Lucedale; Marion Perry of Philadelphia; Dr. Wilbern Lawrence of Meridian; Rev. G. O. Parker of Carthage and Rev. J. B. Smith of Magee.

J. E. Lane, Treasurer, presented his report covering the period since Nov. 1. The missionary chosen for the Pearl

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Clark Withdrawal Elicits Praise

HEAR THE BAPTIST HOUR

Rev. Charles Wellborn will be the speaker on the Baptist Hour Program on Sunday, January 27.

The following stations in Mississippi and Memphis, Tennessee carry the Baptist Hour program:

WJMB, Brookhaven, 1:30 p.m.; WCLD, Cleveland, 1:00 p.m.; WACR, Columbus, 2:30 p.m.; WJPR, Greenville, 6:00 p.m.; WFOR, Hattiesburg, 10:30 p.m.; WSLI, Jackson, 1:30 p.m.; WMBC, Macon, 2:30 p.m.; WAPF, McComb, 9:00 a.m.; WCOC, Meridian, 3:30 p.m.; WHBS, Memphis, 9:00 p.m.

WASHINGTON, D.C.—(RNS)—Protestant leaders here expressed gratification at the withdrawal by President Truman of the nomination of Gen. Mark W. Clark as ambassador to the Vatican, but said they will oppose the sending of any other envoy.

"We have never made any fight whatsoever against Gen. Clark," said Dr. Joseph Dawson, executive secretary of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. "It has never been a personal matter, but one of principle."

A spokesman for Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State said: "We will continue to oppose the sending of an ambassador, minister, or any type of personal envoy to the Vatican because it would be a violation of the principle of separation of Church and State."

Robert P. Van Deusen, Washington secretary of the National Lutheran Council said: "The President's action forestalls what might have been an unpleasant situation between the Catholic and Protestant faiths. I think that all of us who out of conviction had to oppose the Vatican nomination felt that it was too bad that an issue like this should arise at a time when the faiths have learned to work together so well."

Mr. Van Deusen added that "the spontaneity with which Protestant forces joined hands on this issue should now be transferred to broader fields."

Home Board To Stress Evangelism And The Church

ATLANTA, Ga.—(BP)—With the hope that permanent evangelism programs will emerge among Southern Baptists from "the present interest in soul-winning," the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention will promote evangelism on the state level this year, according to Dr. Courts Redford, assistant executive secretary of the Board in Atlanta.

In a recent projection of the Board's plans for 1952, Dr. Redford said that the emphasis on the church will be continued through promoting doctrinal study, organization of new churches, encouraging local congregations to sponsor mission work in their own territories, and a campaign to re-enlist the many non-resident Baptists throughout the Convention territory.

He emphasized the significance of organizing new churches by citing achievements of the 3,942 churches organized from 1940 to 1950, reporting that they now have 513,501 members and gave over \$1,500,000 to missions in 1950.

Baptists Urged To Observe World Alliance Sunday

To Our Fellow Baptists Throughout the World: Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

We earnestly and fraternally ask that in every Baptist Church in all parts of the earth our annual day of testimony, praise and prayer, shall be observed on the First Sunday of February, 1952, and that wherever possible an opportunity be extended for a special offering for the varied ministries of the Baptist World Alliance.

Never was our testimony more needed than today. As the beloved James Henry Rushbrooke so often declared, "Our testimony as Baptists is two-fold: We stand for the Gospel; and we stand for Religious Freedom." Does any reader doubt the necessity of emphasis upon our testimony in today's frightened, broken world?

Only the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ can redeem the souls of men, and in the words of Sweden's great preacher, Dr. N. J. Nordstrom, speaking at the Atlanta Congress in 1939, "None but changed people can change the world." Since Christ is the answer, let us renew our testimony throughout the earth on Baptist World Alliance Sunday, with every pulpit trumpeting forth the Gospel from the glorious text, "In None Other Is Salvation."

Religious Freedom, rooted in the soul's competency to deal directly with God, needs emphasis in every church in every land if we are to effectively meet the challenge of totalitarian doctrine and propaganda, so fervently and cleverly proposed throughout the earth today. Baptists, from the days of Thomas Helwys and Roger Williams, have held this precious principle, often at the point of persecution, and we may be called upon in our own day to suffer as did our fathers in the faithful witness which we must ever give.

Despite the stern character of the times, there is much for which we may give thanks on Baptist World Alliance Sunday. Reports of heroism and courage on the part of our Baptist people behind the Iron and Bamboo Curtains attest their allegiance to our blessed Lord, and of equal fortitude and loyalty is the witness which our people are giving in lands where ecclesiastical tyranny prevails. In lands where war has left its devastation, our people are gathering renewed strength and revival breathes in their heartening reports.

Heartening, indeed, is the steadily developing fellowship and service of our Baptist Women and Baptist Youth in all areas of the earth. New ties unite these groups in regional and continental plan and purpose.

The world-girdling ministry of the Relief Committee of the Alliance has brought us closer one to another, and we give thanks unto God for this fellowship in suffering.

Baptist World Alliance Sunday will bring added blessing as we link our hearts in prayer, one for another—prayer to God for peace, prayer to God for understanding among nations, prayer to God for the coming of His Kingdom in all the earth.

F. Townley Lord,
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General Secretary
Walter O. Lewis,
Associate Secretary

C. Oscar Johnson
Past-President
Louie D. Newton,
Vice-President
Joel Sorenson,
Youth Secretary

Seminary Curriculum Committee Meets

The Convention Board Committee on Curriculum for the Mississippi Baptist Seminary (for Negroes) met Wednesday of last week at the Baptist Building and proposed some revision in the curriculum of the school.

Attending were Dr. H. L. Lang of Jackson, Seminary president; Rev. Fred T. Bookter of McComb, Trustees' president; Rev. Chester Quarles, of Jackson; Dr. W. A. Keel of Taylorsville; Dr. Eugene Farr of Newton and Dr. Norman O'Neal of Clinton.

The Seminary is supported jointly by the Mississippi Baptist Convention, the Home Mission Board and a group of Mississippi Negro conventions and is operated by a board of trustees of 21 members, 11 white and 10 Negro.

The school has headquarters in Jackson but is composed of eight centers and three extension centers, located over the state. W. D. Cole of Philadelphia is treasurer and J. E. Lane of Jackson is bursar.

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Seminary Trustees Suggest Assistant For President Lang

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary (for Negroes) met January 18 at the Baptist Building. Those present included Rev. Fred Bookter, of McComb, J. E. Lane of Jackson, Dr. H. L. Lang, Seminary president and Rev. R. W. Woullard. Invited visitors were Rev. Gordon Sansing of Jackson and Rev. H. Neal.

The following persons were named as a committee to study the degrees and honorary degrees of the school: Dr. W. P. Davis, Flora, chairman; Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., Hattiesburg; E. L. Herring, Jackson; Rev. Woullard and Dr. Lang.

A \$7,000 budget for an assistant to Dr. Lang was proposed, the funds to be secured by private solicitations.

Other recommendations made by the special committee of the Convention Board on Negro Work were deferred until the September meeting of the Trustees.

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Will Of Negro Peddler Aids All Churches

VERSAILLES, Ky.—(RNS)—All of the community's 13 churches—10 of them white congregations and three Negro—were named beneficiaries in the will of William Sharp Steel, a crippled Negro peddler who died here a few weeks ago at the age of 80.

Noted for having a "hard business head," Mr. Steele accumulated considerable property through the years selling fish and apples on the streets and operating a small antique business.

His will specified distribution equally among the community's churches of his residual estate. This proved, after payment of specific bequests, to amount to \$9,763, or \$751 for each of the churches.

Churches participating in the gift are: St. Leo's Roman Catholic, St. John's Episcopal, First Baptist, First Presbyterian, Methodist, Christian, Seventh-day Adventist, Church of God, Assembly of God, Pentecostal, St. Paul's African Methodist Episcopal, Colored Baptist, and Simpson Methodist Episcopal.



The Committee on Temperance of the State Convention Board met at the Baptist Building Jan. 17 for the purpose of making plans for the promotion of the cause of temperance. Shown in accompanying picture (courtesy Jackson Daily News) are members of the committee in session: (left to right) Rev. Kermit Canterbury, Charleston; Rev. J. B. Smith, chairman; Rev. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary; Rev. C. O. Estes, Canton, and Rev. Roy Collum, Liberty. Not shown is Rev. James Fairchild, Louisville.



BUDDY BOYKIN

Pictured above is Buddy Boykin, 7 years old. According to his teacher, Mrs. Marvis Bryant, Buddy has not missed Sunday School since September, 1949. He attends the Union Church in Smith County.

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Relief and Annuity Board Aids 230 Disabled Preachers

DALLAS, Tex.—(BP)—Among the projects outlined for the new year by the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas is one for providing additional supplements to the grants now going to more than 230 totally and permanently disabled Baptist preachers, according to Dr. Walter

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law enacted at the last session of the legislature, only one has gone in favor of legal beer and wine.

"We therefore submit that in good purpose could be served by such a election by that on the other hand only a bitter campaign could result which would divide our people at a time when unity is greatly to be desired.

"We earnestly submit that the more reasonable approach is to preserve and strengthen our present laws against possession, sale, and consumption of beverage alcohol and to enact such bills, as would aid and encourage our law enforcement officers in the discharge of their duty."

Other committee members attending were Rev. James Fairchild of Louisville, Rev. Roy Collum, Jr., of Liberty, Rev. C. O. Estes of Canton, Rev. Kermit Canterbury of Charleston, and Rev. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary of the Convention Board.

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A man who does not stand for something will fall for anything.—Brotherhood Journal.

R. Alexander, executive secretary of the Board.

Dr. Alexander is looking toward increased capital funds from the Cooperative Program and the continued support of church offerings to aid the agency in expanding its service to the many thousands of denominational employees now using it.

Dr. John E. Barnes . . .

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River County Associational Missions Program was approved. The resignation of the Associational Missionary of Benton County was accepted.

Building aid grants were approved for the Thrasher Church and New Ireland Church.

The following committees were appointed:

PERSONNEL: Rev. J. B. Smith, Rev. Van Hardin, Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr. POLICY: Rev. C. W. Thompson, Rev. Robert Martin, Dr. Wilbern Lawrence. AIR CONDITIONING: Marion Perry, K. R. Kofer, Rev. Gordon Sansing of Jackson.

The following were named as Trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary (for Negroes):

Terms Expire in 1952: Rev. Fred Bookter, of McComb; Rev. G. O. Parker; Dr. William P. Davis of Flora; Dr. John E. Barnes. Terms expire in 1953: Dr. G. Norman Price of Jackson; John D. Davis of Greenville; Dr. J. D. Ray of Starkville; W. D. Cole of Philadelphia. Terms to expire in 1954: J. E. Lane of Jackson; C. A. Barge of Macon and A. B. Adams.

The Committee voted to propose to the Itawamba and Tishomingo Associations through their executive committees that a mission program be established in that area whereby they shall receive \$900 per annum from the Board and added assistance from the Home Mission Board if available, provided a committee from the Executive Committee of the Convention Board worked jointly with the committees of the two associations in the selection of the missionary.

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WAKE FOREST, N.C.—(BP)—SOUTHEASTERN Baptist Theological Seminary has received its first gift for the school's endowment fund, announces Dr. Sydnor L. Stealey, president of the Southern Baptist Convention's newest theological institution. Dr. Charles B. Althoff of Tallahassee, Florida, a retired Baptist minister, started the fund recently with a gift of \$500 and a pledge for an additional \$500. He has also contributed more than 100 volumes of his personal library to the seminary library.

Your Personal Invitation To

STATEWIDE EVANGELISTIC CONFERENCE

First Church, Jackson — 7:30 P. M., Jan. 29 — 9:00 P. M., Jan. 31

For Your Convenience in Securing Accommodations:

<p>ALAMO PLAZA HOTEL COURT</p> <p>CHOCTAW COURTS</p> <p>DRAKE MOTEL</p> <p>HOMWOOD MANOR HOTEL COURT</p> <p>MADDEN'S TOURIST COURT</p> <p>REDWOOD TOURIST COURT</p> <p>REST HAVEN TOURIST COURT</p>	<p>ROSE BOWL TOURIST COURT</p> <p>TARRY MORE HOTEL COURTS</p> <p>EDWARDS HOTEL</p> <p>HOTEL HEIDELBERG</p> <p>ROBERT E. LEE HOTEL</p> <p>NEW ROYAL HOTEL</p> <p>WALTHALL HOTEL</p>
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COME PRAYING! — — — — BRING OTHERS!

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The Last Call

The Baptist Record is issuing its last call to the Statewide Evangelistic Conference, to be held at First Church in Jackson Jan. 29-31.

We feel it will be the greatest conference of its kind to be held in Mississippi. Encouraging reports are coming from every direction, a fine program has been prepared and a number of outstanding personalities will appear.

The conference begins Tuesday night at 7:30 and continues through the closing giant evangelistic service on Thursday night with Dr. H. H. Hobbs preaching on "An Indictment and an Invitation."

The Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism will be one of the many major emphases of the meeting.

Keep Fighting

We call the attention of our readers to the fact that President Truman has not given up the idea of an ambassador to the Vatican. He has withdrawn the name of Gen. Clark but states that he will submit another name at a later date.

Therefore we urge our readers to write their senators and congressmen and send petitions.

As we have often stated, we are not opposed to Gen. Clark. We are opposed to anybody as ambassador to the vatican period.

Good Example Set

Within the past few days there has been much in the papers concerning a prayer crusade to be conducted by the Catholics of Mississippi.

We understand that a personal visitation campaign is to be made to induce all Catholics to do more praying. Family prayers will be urged.

Baptists may well learn from our Catholic friends and neighbors. We would have a better land and a better people if more people prayed.

We may not agree with the Catholics in many of their practices and beliefs but we can wish for them success in any movement that means more praying.

Baptists also are "Standing in the need of prayer."



We Are For It

We are very much in favor of the bill recently introduced in the State Senate by Senator Earl Evans of Canton.

Senator Evans' measure would create a Mississippi Bureau of Criminal Investigation under the attorney general's office in the same way the FBI is part of the U.S. Department of Justice. The MBCI would have an attorney general-appointed director and up to 25 investigators and the bill specifies that they must be well-trained for the job.

We are not alone in our plea for some help toward law enforcement. Governor Wright urged the last legislature to provide some help as Senator Evans now proposes. Attorney General Coleman had voiced the same plea. He stated that he had the law but no means of enforcement. He illustrated it by saying that he was provided with a shot gun but no ammunition.

Space does not permit in a single issue of the Baptist Record a full exposition of the proposed law. But a few of the high points can be mentioned, with more to come in subsequent issues.

Senator Evans' bill specifies that the agents provided by his bill would be specialists in crime detection, some of them at least schooled in scientific crime detection and with up-to-date crime detection apparatus.

"Often times," said Senator Evans, "the best farmer or merchant in the community is elected

sheriff. He may be a fine man and a good citizen but lacks experience in criminal investigation. We want that sheriff to have trained investigators to help him."

He explained that the cost of operating a bureau of trained, specialized investigators would be a small percentage of the present cost of crime and of the many trial cases that result in acquittal.

Here is an opportunity for all who have said that prohibition won't work to show their sincerity. The trouble in the past has been that in many places prohibition has not had a chance to work. Let those who seek to legalize liquor and claim that they are for law enforcement support this law and give prohibition a fair chance.

The trouble in the past has been that too many loop holes have been made for the liquor violator to escape. It sometimes seems that the law was made for the bootlegger rather than to prohibit the sale of liquor.

The votes on this law will show the true colors of some who have been doing some loud shouting.

Sunday February 3 Is World Alliance Day

In another column will be found an announcement concerning Baptist World Alliance Day signed by the officers of that greatest of Baptist organizations.

We should make this day an important one in 1952. Our hope is that it will be observed so general-

ly that it can be described as near unanimous.

Belonging to all our churches, all our churches should have a part in its support. A large part of the funds for carrying on the work of the Alliance come from these free will offerings. Let each church support the Alliance with prayers and money. Then we can truthfully speak of the work of OUR Baptist World Alliance.

Not only should we give it our financial support but there are other ways of lending support. Some of them are:

1. Pray for it.
2. Pray for our less fortunate Baptists throughout the world. Many are in prison. Thousands are beset by persecution. Starvation and semi-starvation stare many in the face. Many others worship under difficulties.
3. Praise God for the blessings that are ours.
4. Make much of the privilege of freedom of worship.
5. We should sound forth those great principles for which Baptists have suffered.

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Our Readers Write

Dear Dr. Goodrich:

This short note is written to express to you my sincere thanks for publishing my article about our work here in the Woman's Prisons. Please express my thanks to the ladies of your state for having sent so many bundles of fine clothing for these girls. They might be interested to know that so far we have received about 500 lbs. of clothing.

We are hoping that we can have a permanent home for these girls and give them a chance to be rehabilitated under the care and guidance of the Baptist women of New Orleans.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. C. K. Rand

Comment: Here is more evidence that people do read the Baptist Record. In fact many did read the article referred to above. Note that 500 pounds of clothing has already been sent in response to Mrs. Rand's appeal.

The Editor of the
Baptist Record,
Jackson, Miss.

Dear Sir:

Permit me to say a few words about the Baptists. We are a large powerful group, since we do not count infants as members we are probably the largest church in this country. With all of our power though, we are not willing to use it for what we publicly claim to believe in. We say so much about christian education and still do not have a single school for boys or girls of grammar or high school age in Mississippi—if we have one any place I have never heard of it. You criticize the Catholics for wanting to use public money for the advancement of Catholicism—still you won't use Baptist money to advance your own beliefs. I know that you go through the motions of teaching them your beliefs in church schools on Sunday but why don't you do like several other churches do and have just Baptist schools for children of say 9 to 14, where you could teach them what you want to.

Do you think that you can take a child

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Shall America Bow To The Pope of Rome

BY DR. JAMES DEFORREST MURCH

(Editor's Note: By special permission of the author, Dr. James Deforest Murch, editor of United Evangelical Action, the Baptist Record is permitted to publish the full text of his recent booklet entitled SHALL AMERICA BOW TO THE POPE OF ROME?)

It will be published in several installments. The fifth is printed below. Watch for the others. After reading them, pass them on to your friends, or send 10c for a pamphlet containing all the articles.)

THE TIME HAS COME FOR UNITED ACTION.

The situation is aggravated by the happenings in America and Rome during the past few years, revealing the evident intention of the Roman Catholic hierarchy to make America and the other nations of the world political and religious satellites of the pope.

After centuries of Italian dominance of the Sacred College Pope Pius XII startled the world by appointing thirty-two cardinals from many different nations—twelve from the Americas. The

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on Sunday and overcome all the doubtism, communism, atheism etc. that they are exposed to in the average public school for five days in the week?

I see in every town and city large church buildings that are used so little that it seems to me that you could work into a program for educating the young in the way that you want them educated and then you could stop worrying about the Catholics.

Surely you must have some educated, consecrated teachers that could devote their lives to the cause they believe in just as the Sisters do in the Catholic church. You should see the way the young Catholic people adore one of the Sisters that come each summer to work with the young people, it is remarkable. Your preachers worry about the widows of other preachers not being taken care of, if you had the kind of program that others have you could bring them into the work so that you could help them and at the same time teach your own doctrine in the way you want it taught.

Sincerely,
ABRAHAM MOSES

ADOPTS EF PLAN HIKES MISSION GIFTS

A few weeks ago it was a pleasure for me to send you the names of 59 of our families. These are all the happy recipients of the Baptist Record. Since this original EVERY FAMILY group of 59 subscriptions, we have received several new families into our membership and I wish to have them receive the Record and to bring our EVERY FAMILY Plan to date and to have 67 families of Calvary Church (Columbia) receiving the Baptist Record.

You will be interested to know that last month, December '51, our church, in regular conference, voted to increase our monthly contributions to the Cooperative Program from \$60 per month, as set at the beginning of October, to \$75. This is a 50% increase to Missions over last year. I am not saying that the Baptist Record is responsible for this raise, but I am sure that our people are reading the Record and that we are more mission conscious by the Record's regular visit in our homes and I believe it was a vital factor in helping us to see the needs and our people being the fine Christians that they are, responded to the needs.

E. Y. Soileau, Pastor

newspapers were filled with stories of the pomp and circumstance surrounding their elevation to the papal nobility.

Roman Catholic political parties have been organized throughout Europe. The triumph of the Christian Social Party in Belgium and the impressive showing by the Christian Democratic Union in the American-occupied zone of Germany prepared the way for the Vatican advancement of its proposal to form a Christian Social International, linking all Roman Catholic parties.

Besides Germany and Belgium, Roman Catholic political parties are now occupying a large share of the limelight in Italy, where the Christian Democratic Party has a majority in Parliament; in France, where the Republican Popular Movement and the DeGaullists hold a majority of the seats; and in Holland, where the Catholic People's Party is a vital part of the Government coalition.

In Spain and Portugal the whole fascist political structure is in Roman Catholic control.

In the Americas, papal-controlled Quebec dominates Canadian politics and policy, and openly boasts of the "conquest of the cradle" by which Roman Catholics, helped by subsidies for large families, will by 1970, be in a majority throughout the Dominion. Practically every Latin American "republic" is dominated by Rome.

There is every evidence that there is a well-balanced effort on the part of the Roman Catholic hierarchy to make America Catholic. There is nothing particularly new about this. Archbishop Ireland in November, 1889, preaching in Baltimore, uttered a phrase which brought indignation to every free-born American, "Our work is to make America Catholic." Theodore Maynard, a leading Catholic writer, during the famed Al Smith campaign for the Presidency, said: "The plain fact is that America will soon become the decisive battleground of the Faith. We must therefore be prepared for a struggle for which weapons keener than those that are just now at our disposal will be called for." The internationally-known Catholic writer, Hilaire Belloc, goes more deeply into the reasons for the effort. He says, "The necessary conflict between the civil state and the Catholic Church where the two are not identified. . . must still take place in the United States. . . The Catholic Church is in its root principles at issue with the civic definition both of freedom and authority. For the purpose of state, religion is either a universally admitted system or a matter of individual choice. But by the definition which is the very soul of Catholicism, religion must be for the Catholic first, a supreme authority superior to any claims of the state; secondly, a corporate thing and not an individual thing; thirdly, a thing dependent upon authority, and not upon a personal mood; fourthly, a guaranty of individual freedom in all that is not of faith. . . The chief political problem presented by religion has, then, still to be solved in the New World. . . Presented the problem certainly will be, and in one or other of the many fashions, stable or unstable."

With America now the leading nation of the world and the site for the UN rival "capital of the world," the Vatican has manifestly decided that now is the time for the final inevitable conflict to begin. Already she looks to American Romanists for the bulk of her financial support and the best of her future leadership. It is widely and publicly rumored that Cardinal Spellman is being groomed for the papacy and that such a pope might well rule from American soil. Every day brings new evidence that this battle for the capture of America is on

in real earnest.

The battle for freedom from this identical papal power was fought by our forefathers when they left Europe to found a new nation in America. For more than 150 years we have enjoyed that freedom. Today we see a gigantic growth of that tyranny upon our free soil. As free men we cannot permit it to develop to the point where it might gain the political, psychological or numerical ascendancy and again impose its intolerable will upon us.

Now that Rome has made the decision that America must be brought into the papal orbit, red-blooded Americans and incorruptible Protestants are forced to make a corresponding decision. It is to use our power which is still pre-eminent in this country to uphold our constitutional rights, to demand the cleansing of our political house from every vestige of papal aggression, and to stand for our blood-bought principles with renewed devotion. The hierarchy cannot expect us to stand in fear of its accusations of "intolerance and bigotry" and meekly accede to its offensive. Since Rome has organized a new mighty upsurge for its own ends, there must of necessity be organized under strong leadership a new mighty upsurge of the old Protestant American spirit to balance it and withstand it.

The time is long overdue for united action on the part of all sectors of Protestant American life—every denomination, every undenominational movement, every modernist, every evangelical, every inter-denominational organization, every local church, every preacher, every layman, the great and small—to combat a common threat to our freedom. This is not primarily a doctrinal religious issue, but a political issue which threatens religious liberty. Furthermore, we must join hands with the Jews, the Mormons, the Unitarians, and the atheists who as American citizens are as gravely endangered as we. Unless such a united front can be presented against the united forces of Catholicism we are defeated before we start.

We know what the Roman hierarchy expects to do in the next fifteen or twenty

FIRST TO ENROLL



OGLA ANN HAGLER

Hattiesburg High School's "Good Citizenship Girl"—Olga Ann Hagler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Hagler, is the first girl to enroll in the freshman class of Mississippi Woman's College for the 1952-53 session.

years and what it is doing now. We shall not deter it or deflect it except by an equally intelligent and well-planned program—theirs for supreme authority, ours for freedom. In the realm of power we are fully their equal. In numbers, wealth, education, ingenuity and (what is more vital) in the spiritual imponderables we are greatly superior.

The test of our ability to keep America free is to be found just now in our demand that there must be no USA envoy to the Vatican and that all diplomatic relations between the two states (!) cease.

Let us address ourselves to this task without further indecision or delay. THE TIME IS NOW!

(To Be Continued)

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REV. ERASTUS HALL, FORMERLY pastor of Martin Church in Union County, and for the past several years pastor of the Second Church at Kosciusko, has accepted the pastorate of the First Church in Murfreesboro, Arkansas.

HAVE YOU A BOY IN THE SERVICE?

Chances are that he gets into quite an argument with boys from other parts of the country. When they tell of the many fine things about their own state, he naturally wants to boost Mississippi also.

BUT HAS HE GOT THE RIGHT INFORMATION?

Can he cite facts and figures to hold up his side of the discussion? Is he acquainted with the work of Mississippi Baptists?

He probably gets lonesome. He would enjoy reading about what's going on among Mississippi Baptists. There's nothing that will serve his purpose better than

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January 20, 1952

Jackson, Van Winkle	514	253
Jackson, First	1426	476
Jackson, Leavellwoods	78	57
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	506	195
Jackson, Northside	595	158
Jackson, Southside	362	178
Jackson, Crestwood	589	386
Jackson, Calvary	1361	362
Main Church	1308	319
Mission	53	43
Jackson, Parkway	933	351
Parkway Chapel	143	106
Richland (Rankin Co.)	77	
Pearl City (Rankin Co.)	72	76
Laurel, First	477	120
Laurel, Second Avenue	415	94
Sandersville	97	
Hattiesburg, Temple	471	167
Friendship (Lincoln Co.)	83	59
McComb, West	344	162
West Point	629	219
Mantee	145	
Woodland (Pontotoc Co.)	67	
Corinth, Tate St.	359	93
Main School	301	
Mission	58	
Bethel (Amite Co.)	73	58
McComb, South	236	75
Gulfport, First	774	246
Bruce	319	86
Calhoun City, First	346	115
Amity (Chickasaw Co.)	28	65
Grenada, First	657	126
Laurel, West	379	114
Mission	21	
Gulfport, New Hope	92	47
Holly Bluff (Yazoo Co.)	119	76
Springfield (Scott Co.)	147	88
Newton	537	244
Whitesand (Jeff Davis Co.)	118	98
Kosciusko, First	662	192
Pascagoula, Unity	100	47
Harmony (Jones Co.)	138	67
Bogue Chitto (Pike Co.)	78	77
Natchez, West Side	152	96
Antioch (Neshoba Co.)	86	41
Woodville	161	98
Bethel (Pearl River Co.)	144	103
Louisville, East	62	33
Laurel, Highland	98	72
Columbus, First	1006	291
Sand Hill (Jones Co.)	69	57
Meridian, Poplar Springs	372	155
Houlka (Chickasaw Co.)	90	33
Lucedale	303	132
Zion (Pontotoc Co.)	129	66
Crystal Springs, First	762	172
Brookhaven, First	893	341
Main Church	673	253
Hamilton	90	56
Southway	40	32
Pascagoula, First	772	319
Main School	389	216
MsArthur Mission	54	28
Jackson Avenue Mission	71	26
Orange Grove Mission	45	49
River View Mission	13	
Union (Walthall Co.)	93	90
Fair River (Lincoln Co.)	80	50
Starkville, First	507	193
Columbus, East End	227	125
Chester (Choctaw Co.)	58	
Pearlhaven (Lincoln Co.)	151	95
Phoenix, Oak Grove	54	61
New Liberty (Calhoun Co.)	105	64
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Unity (Jackson Co.)	103	62
Union (Alcorn Co.)	66	81
Sardis	195	73

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DR. C. B. JACKSON, ASSOCIATE IN the Department of Evangelism of the Baptist General Convention of Texas has prepared an interesting pamphlet which explains the work of the Holy Spirit in growing the Christian life. The title of the booklet is **GROWING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE**. Dr. C. Wade Freeman, Superintendent of the Department of Evangelism states that in his judgement that it is one of the best things a pastor can place in the hands of young Christians. The Department of Evangelism is offering, for the present, to distribute it at cost—15c per dozen, and \$10.00 per hundred. All orders are for cash and should be addressed to the Department of Evangelism, 210 Baptist Building, Dallas 1, Texas.

Ministerial Ethics

BY REV. JOHN OAKES

(Editor's Note: This is the second installment of a paper read to the Marion County Baptist Pastors' Conference.)

The next installment will appear next week.)

I. AS REGARDS EACH OTHER

1. A minister should give to the other the same freedom of choice and interpretation which he himself claims.

2. He should always see to it that his supply is satisfactorily remunerated for his services. This should be a matter of business and conscience, probably more of business.

3. A visiting preacher should never take opportunity to oppose the pastor's views on a debatable matter of doctrine or practice. If the visitor is doing the service of a teacher rather than a preacher, it would be in order to bring the matter up for discussion.

4. One should never fill the pulpit of a church without being duly invited. If the church has a pastor, the invitation should be from him or freely sanctioned by him.

5. A pastor should always be free to question a prospective visitor on his views concerning major matters of doctrine and practice. We should always be willing to be questioned.

6. A visiting minister should never seek to steal the heart of the people from their pastor. He should always conduct himself as a visitor.

7. A preacher should never permit himself to be considered as a pastor by a pastorless church in competition with another or other preachers. Our churches are fast coming to realize that it is more satisfactory to dispense with one prospect at a time.

8. If a pastor engages one and then has to break the engagement so late that the one invited has no opportunity to be re-engaged, the pastor should pay him or see that he is paid a satisfactory sum.

9. One should always be careful as concerns his visit back to a former church field. If a pastor does not feel insecure, he should not be uneasy or uncomfortable when a former pastor comes back and conducts himself as a gentleman. In returning to a former field one should always make it a point to win first of all the good will and confidence of the pastor; and never betraying this, he will, as a rule, be always welcomed.

10. It is not good to decry a fellow pastor from the pulpit. Some one believes in him and supports him, or he would not be a pastor. One is always open, however, to try the spirit even of a preacher to see if it be of God or not. There is usually a better way of meeting this problem than to make a personal attack in the pulpit. If one will notice, the terms

STUDENT NUMBER 700 ENROLLS AT N. O. SEMINARY



PAUL S. DODGE

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 15—Each new student that enrolls at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary for the spring semester set a record. The school already had enrolled more than ever before for the fall term.

Shown above is Rev. Paul S. Dodge, Jr., Gulfport, Miss., signing the book in President Roland Q. Leavell's office, the first student to be numbered 700 in any year. The total went to 705.

Mr. Dodge is the son of Rev. Paul S. Dodge, Sr., pastor of the Grace Memorial Church, Gulfport.

Mrs. John F. Gibson, Dr. Leavell's secretary, is showing Mr. Dodge where to sign. Her father also is a Baptist preacher, Rev. J. D. Ray, retired, of Starkville, Mississippi.

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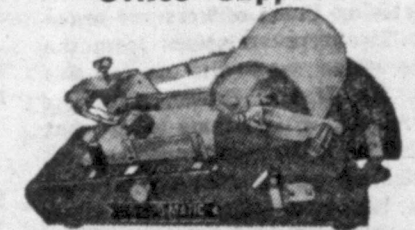
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SUMMARY 1951 TRAINING UNION ACTIVITIES

We would like to begin this word, concerning the activities of the Training Union Department for the year, with an expression of thanks and appreciation to all the leaders who have so marvelously cooperated with us in the plans we have promoted. It has been a good year, showing increases in every way, which gives us assurance that the Lord has been with us in the planning and in the prosecution.

Our major emphasis this year has been placed on Associational Leadership Laboratories. These have been held in the majority of the associations, with one of our staff members conducting. Demonstrations of the mechanics of training union have made up the program. These programs were designed to give to the churches larger, and better unions. We feel that this has been the result in most instances.

Our State Convention met in Columbus, December 28-29. The attendance was very good and the program well received. The 1951 convention was held in Meridian, Friday, December 28th. The Fifteenth Ave. Baptist Church was host to the convention. Since the Music department held a special Music Convention in November this year, we have gone back to the one day Training Union Convention. A good music program was, however, planned as a part of the Training Union Convention.

The fifteen District Conventions enjoyed their largest attendance, with most of the associations having representatives on the program in the various drills that largely make up the program of these meetings.

A Training Union Assembly, the first Mississippi has had, was enjoyed the first two weeks in July. This assembly was held at Camp Garaywa. The attendance was very good, and many were the expressions of appreciation of the good program, with its spiritual emphasis. We will have only one week in 1952, this will be July 7-12. We will begin next year to have our final elimination contests here to select our representatives for the Southwide Sword Drill, and Young People's Speaking Tournament.

The annual meeting of associational officers, which is designed as a "Training Meeting" was held in Jackson, November 23. To this meeting all associational Training Union officers are urged to come. Two representatives from the Nashville office were with us for this meeting, Mr. Maines Rawls, and Miss Thelma Arnote. We continue to feel that the association is the most important unit of organization we have for propagating the work, hence our effort to strengthen the associational Training Union. More and more the regular Association is electing a full corps of officers for the Associational Training Union each year, and thus tying it into the general work in a more definite way.

Eighteen summer workers, working in eleven associations, were used of God in giving encouragement, inspiration, and challenge to hundreds who needed just that. They taught study courses, and organized new unions, visited in the homes of the people and brought good cheer.

New Unions during the year, as far as records can be obtained, 449. This is an average of one each week day, two each Sunday, with ten extra for good measure.

25,569 Study Course awards have been

issued during the year. This is 483 more than for the same period of time last year. The adults lead with almost as many as the other departments combined. This is as it should be since the great majority of church members are adults.

The 1951 Evangelistic Crusade found the Training Union ready to make its contribution. Hundreds of pastors included the training union in the plans for the crusade in their churches, using the members in prayer meetings, publicity, personal work, etc.

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MWC To Have YWA Houseparty Feb. 9-10

The annual YWA houseparty held at Mississippi Woman's College is one of the social highlights of the academic year for the students as well as YWA members of District VII and VIII. Beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 9, and climaxing at noon Sunday, it will begin the Focus Week's activities.

The program which includes fellowship, information gathering, and inspiration will feature Dr. I. E. Rouse, President of Woman's College; Miss Almarine Brown, state WMU President; Miss Nell Taylor, state Young People's Secretary and Miss Mary Augenstein, field representative of the WMU Training School. There will also be students from other countries on the program.

On Saturday afternoon a tea will be given in the home of President Rouse.

The houseparty idea was born five years ago when the college YWA, the federation of Lebanon and Pike associations decided it would be a good idea to "get together". The attendance has grown from 50 to 150 in 1951.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

January 26—C. H. Harris, Alcorn Associational Brotherhood President; Mrs. P. D. Lott, Nurse, Clarke College.

January 29—State Evangelistic Conference, First Church, Jackson; Dr. C. W. Scott, Director of Guidance, Mississippi College.

January 30—Miss Yona Stone, Music Department, Woman's College; Rev. Wallace Harrell, Jackson County Associational Missionary.

January 31—W. B. Gresham, Benton County Associational Sunday School Superintendent; J. B. Welborn, Holmes Association State Convention Board Member.

February 1—Mrs. I. L. Toler, District VIII W.M.U. Chairman; Rev. Earl Warford, President, State Training Union Convention.

February 2—Kathryn Jasper, BSU Secretary for MSCW; A. B. Williams, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage.

February 3—Baptist World Alliance Day; BSU Evangelistic Emphasis Week.

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BEFORE SOUTHERN BAPTISTS throw out their chests too far about what we are doing on the foreign mission field, it might be well to remember the record of the Presbyterians. With 2,000,000 members, they are supporting 1,300 missionaries. This compares with 7,000,000 Southern Baptists supporting 850 missionaries.

THE 1952 WEB, THE UNIVERSITY OF Richmond yearbook, will be dedicated to the University's two Directors of Religious Activities, Dr. Othell Hand, of Richmond College, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Wrenn, of Westhampton. Dr. Hand, also an assistant professor of Religious Education, is a native Mississippian.

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MRS. LILLIAN MOORE RICE

Mrs. Lillian Moore Rice, superintendent of Junior Sunday school work, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., will be with us in Mississippi for the THREE Sunday School Conventions in New Albany, Kosciusko and Hazlehurst, March 11, 12, and 13.

Mrs. Rice is one of the very best Junior leaders to be found, and our Junior workers in Mississippi should certainly not lose this great opportunity of attending the Junior conferences under the wise guidance of this excellent leader. Plan now to be there.

WATCH THIS SPACE

Brother Superintendent, if you will watch the Sunday school column in the Baptist Record each week we shall keep you up-to-date on all the state and district meeting, special days and other major emphases of the program of the Sunday school.

Let's all march together this year for the greatest year of all. This can be done much better when we take advantage of all meetings for Sunday school workers.

So, read this part of the Record each week for those items.

HERE ARE SOME OF THEM

Here are some of the very important Sunday school meetings that are coming up soon:

March 11, 12, 13, our THREE Sunday school Conventions, in New Albany, Kosciusko, and Hazlehurst, respectively. We have an excellent program with some of the finest workers to be found anywhere. Mr. Barnette, of Nashville, and other Sunday School Board workers will be with us. Each Convention will be for one full day with morning, afternoon, and evening sessions. Attend the one most convenient.

March 31 to April 25, our twenty district Sunday school conferences covering every section of the state. Information about these will be given in ample time. Each meeting will be for the morning and afternoon. Attend the one most convenient.

Ridgecrest Weeks. The three Sunday school weeks at Ridgecrest are: June 19-25; June 26-July 2; July 3-9. The latter is the special "Leadership Conference" week. Write now for reservations to Mr. Willard K. Weeks, Ridgecrest, N. C. This is not too early.

Plan to make the most of all good meetings by attending them. Some workers can attend some and others can attend others, thus giving the school the benefits of all good meetings this year.



MISS MARGARET REDDEN

Miss Margaret Redden, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Redden, Pace, Miss., has perfect Sunday school attendance record for thirteen consecutive years.

When out of town visiting, or even on vacation, she has always made it a habit to attend the Sunday school wherever she was.

This is indeed a very unusual record and we extend to her our most sincere congratulations on her faithfulness and loyalty to the Bible teaching program of her church. Though young in years, she has given to us an inspiring example of faithfulness in Christian service. May many other good years be hers to keep on helping and serving.

PLEASE SEND US YOUR REPORT

If you had your January Bible Study Week, and have not sent us the report of it, please do so at once so your people may get their awards on this study.

This will encourage the people who took the study and will help the work of your church, association and state. Blanks for reporting these classes will be gladly sent on request.

And, if you have not yet had the study of that fine book, "The New Testament Doctrine of the Church," it is not at all too late to do it. It is never too late to do a good thing like that. So, have it even yet.

OUR MONTHLY THEME

It is always good and helpful to have some definite thing toward which we are working. This is certainly true in our Sunday schools.

We have each month a Southwide theme for the school program. This keeps all of us together in a great progressive movement.

The theme for February is, "New Sunday Schools." The theme for January is, "Visitation for Enlargement."

Next week closes January, but now is the time to begin to make February greater. We do our best work when we prepare for it.

There is need for many new schools over the country. Many churches should start one, or more, right away. February is a good time to begin to locate a new school. It may develop into a great church some day. Whow knows? Try it.

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Sparks & Splinters

DR. CHARLES L. MCKAY, PASTOR of First Church, Pascagoula, is much in demand over the South to tell about the mission work of his church. He has recently addressed the Southwide Sunday School Clinic at Miami and the Statewide Associational Officers meeting in Texas.

I SHOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE names and addresses of any living descendants of Rev. L. S. Foster who many years ago wrote the book "Mississippi Baptist Preachers;" also names and addresses of any descendants of Rev. John McCou who was a pastor in Mississippi in the late 1850's through the early 1870's. Write J. L. Boyd, Box 392, Clinton, Miss.

REV. J. D. LUNDY, FORMERLY PASTOR of the Wildwood Church in Laurel, has accepted the pastorate of the Good Hope Church in Perry County. The Good Hope people welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Lundy and their three children with an old-fashioned pounding when they moved into the parsonage.

HERMAN COCHRAN HAS RESIGNED his work as minister of music and education at the First Church of Waynesboro to go to the Brownsville Church at Pensacola, Florida. He is a student at the New Orleans Seminary and will complete his work in April. The pastor is J. K. Moore, a Mississippian.

BILL WADE, VANDERBILT'S ALL- American football player, has been named the winner of the Christian Sportsman award for 1951 by the Christian Athletes' Foundation. In receiving the award, Bill said he would rather have it than any other he knew of because "all good things come from God, and this award is the only one in existence that recognizes the source of greatness in football or any other field."

MORE THAN 600 SUNDAY SCHOOL workers from outside Miami from 500 churches are participating in the Convention-wide Clinic now in progress in Miami. Forty-two churches joined in simultaneous enlargement campaigns last week and 2500 are attending a central training school this week as a vital part of the clinic.

A CALL HAS GONE OUT FOR NATION-WIDE prayers for the Billy Graham revival which began in Washington this week. Christians throughout the nation can have a vital and personal part in the revival through prayer.

BERKELEY, CALIF.—(BP)—GOLDEN Gate Baptist Seminary in Berkeley received \$16,000 as a New Year's gift from Mr. A. L. Wasson, Texas philanthropist and oilman, according to Dr. B. O. Herring, president of the seminary. The gift will be used for seminary operating expenses. Mr. Wasson has previously given over \$50,000 in seminary endowment and trust funds, Herring said.

OTHER MODERATORS MIGHT FOLLOW the example of Owen Cooper, moderator of the Yazoo County Association. He is getting out a monthly newsletter in which he gives much pertinent information. The one for January tells of action concerning law enforcement, calls attention to the spring meeting of the association, urges larger Cooperative Program gifts in order to make up for the 10% change in percentages, etc.

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REV. IVAN LOWRY

Rev. Ivan Lowry, pastor at Hermanville the past several years, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the church at Wheeler.

At Wheeler he will succeed Rev. Bynum Basden who went recently to Coffeeville.

The Rev. Mr. Lowry led the church at Hermanville in a fine program of work and was active in associational and denominational affairs. He is now Associational Training Union Director. Previously while in Wayne County he was a member of the State Convention Board.

He attended Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. He and his family will move to the new field in the near future.

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ACCORDING TO PASTOR THURMAN Booth, December was the largest financial month in the history of the Luka Church. Total receipts were \$1,886.97.

DR. E. D. HEAD, SOUTHWESTERN Seminary president, is progressing favorably in his recovery from a recent severe heart attack. Dr. Head was admitted to the Harris Hospital, Fort Worth, Sunday, Jan. 6, where it will be necessary for him to remain for several days yet. His illness began immediately after the Christmas holidays.

AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE Baptist Building were: Dr. I. E. Rouse, Hattiesburg; Todd McCoullough, Pope; Dr. Harold Basden, Jackson; Merle T. Basden, Columbus; Rev. Cecil R. Maples, Clinton; Rev. C. O. Estes, Canton; Rev. J. B. Smith, Magee; Hindson Lansdell, Jackson; Rev. Gene White, Jackson; Rev. B. E. Craft, Weathersby; Rev. Edward C. Farr, Sumrall; R. I. Miller, Union; Mrs. G. O. Parker, Carthage; Mrs. E. T. Thames, Carthage; Rev. J. Hubert Hammett, Yazoo City; Earl P. Mills, Carthage; Kathleen Roberts, Jackson; Rev. John L. Cook, Jr., Clinton; Mrs. Clara Broome, Columbia; Dot Flynt, Jackson; Rev. Paul H. Cranford, Eupora; and Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Johnson, Jr., Canton.

MRS. MARGARET LOWERY ANDERSON, Mobile, Ala., a member of the first faculty of Blue Mountain College in 1873, will be 100 years old Jan. 30. Dr. Lawrence T. Lowery and Perrin Holmes Lowery of Blue Mountain, nephews; and Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Anderson and their daughter, Jane, of Booneville, plan to go to Mobile in honor of the occasion. Dr. Anderson is also a nephew. Mrs. Anderson was the second child of General M. P. Lowery and Sara Holmes Lowery, and was born at Farmington in Alcorn County. She and her sister, Modena, constituted the first faculty of Blue Mountain College, aside from the president.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

RANKIN MUSIC ASSOCIATION FIRST IN 1952

At the fall meeting of the regular Rankin County Association, a music committee was appointed with Rev. J. Herald Jones, pastor of the Leesburg church, as chairman to look into the matter of a full Department of Music in Rankin Association. The committee made contact with the State Dept. of Church Music and the first association-wide hymn sing was held in the Brandon church on Sunday afternoon January 13. The meeting began at 2:30 p.m. and closed at 4:00 o'clock.

Plenty of congregational singing was led by several different directors, namely: R. D. Moon, Cross Roads Church; Bob Polk, Puckett; Chasteen Flynt, Pearl City; Mr. Weatherby, Briar Hill; W. C. Morgan, Jackson. Special numbers were presented by Pearl City Adult Choir, Pearl City Ladies Ensemble, Duet from Leesburg Church.

There was a total of 150 people present representing 15 churches. Rankin Association is to be congratulated upon this large number of churches represented with 150 people present for the initial meeting of this kind in the county.

A business session was called during the program, and the following officers were elected: R. D. Moon, Associational Director; Chasteen Flynt, Associate Director; and Hardy Ramshur, Sec-Tres. The Quarterly Hymn Sing was set in motion, and the Constitution and By-laws recommended by the State Music Department was adopted. These recommendations will be placed before the regular

Associational Executive Committee for approval, and with this approval, a new department of the association will be established called The Associational Department of Church Music. The Rankin Baptist Music Association is the 23rd music association to be organized within the last twelve months.

STATE MEETING OF ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS TO BE HELD

1952 is designated as the year for special associational emphasis in music. Looking forward to this promotion, the annual meeting of the Associational Music Directors will be held in Jackson on February 25. All associational directors will desire to attend this meeting, as the program of music promotions will be discussed. The goal of the Music Department is to have every association completely organized.

NEWTON ASSOCIATION TO HOLD FIRST ASSOCIATION-WIDE MUSIC EMPHASIS IN 1952

During the week of January 20 through 27, the Newton Association will hold a county-wide music school at First Church Union. The State Director will join the Associational Director, Lester White of Union in this promotion. Classes will be held in the church at Union each evening throughout the week, and a county-wide HYMN SING will be held on Sunday afternoon January 27. During the festival all necessary steps will be taken to complete the Music Association, and the Quarterly Hymn Sing will be set in motion. The associational Missionary, Rev. H. T. McLaurin of Newton is cooperating in the promotion.

THE BIBLICAL ILLUSTRATOR (\$4.95) the Matthew volume, is one of the fifty-seven volumes of this set. Every passage of Matthew is profusely treated and explained, verse by verse, with complete sermons, condensed sermons, sermon outlines, expository notes, practical lessons, geographic and historical information, illustrations, and anecdotes. Compiler and editor of THE BIBLICAL ILLUSTRATOR was the gifted and internationally known homilist, Joseph S. Exell. In preparing this comprehensive set he examined the writings of the centuries for the best and most useful of the world's printed sermon material. An analysis of the volume on Matthew alone presents the choicest contribution of more than 900 Bible students and pulpit masters. Published by the Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Michigan, it may be ordered from the publishers or from the Baptist Book Store.

BUILDING UP YOUR CONGREGATION, by Willard A. Pleuthner and published by Wilcox and Follett Co., Chicago (\$3) was written by a layman, a member of a large advertising agency. Here is a volume of practical suggestions to the minister in his efforts to contact, attract, and enlist his own membership and the public in general in the local church or parish program. Excellent suggestions are given for membership contact through personal letters; the section on church publicity contains many varied suggestions; and the final section might afford many pastors ideas as to orderly and systematic methods of the administrative work necessary to the growth and ministry of the modern church. Spend a few minutes and look through this volume with care. It might contain something you need. And the author donates his royalty to religious work. Order from the publisher.

THE BAPTIST RECORD APPRECIATES a nice list of subscriptions from Pleasant Hill Church in Clarke County. The list was sent by Mrs. C. B. Adams.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Expanded physical facilities in Nashville and continued progress on the Glorieta Assembly in New Mexico are two objectives in sight during the year for the Baptist Sunday School Board, according to Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary.

Completion of an addition to the Ninth Avenue building in Nashville, providing much needed office space and working facilities, is expected during the year. Equipment of the printing plant was moved to new quarters recently.

Construction is to be started on several buildings at Glorieta and a one-week "Pioneer Camp" is planned for the assembly this summer. Expansion at Ridgecrest is also being projected.

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A recent addition to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record is Dry Creek Church in Winston County. Pastor L. G. Camp, Jr., is the pastor. A sufficient amount has been put in the budget to take care of the Baptist Record and from now on Dry Creek Baptists are going to keep up with what Baptists are doing at home and abroad.

Winston County Record readers are now listed as follows: Antioch 2, BETHEL 33, CALVARY 39, EAST LOUISVILLE 51, ELLISON RIDGE 51, EVERGREEN 63, GOOD HOPE 37, HARMONY 34, Holly Grove 1, LIBERTY 29, LOUISVILLE 359, MACEDONIA 35, MURPHY CREEK 70, MT. CARMEL 109, POPLAR FLAT 29, Shiloh 12, UNION RIDGE 30, DRY CREEK 40, Hinze 12, Louisville West End 13, and Wess Chapel 1.

THE TRIAL PLAN WORKED

Rev. Julius Thompson, Mississippi College student and pastor of Groveton Church, Scott County, heard about the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record and how well it was working in other churches. He coveted that plan for his own church. He also heard about the free trial plan.

This plan is the sending of the Record to the resident families of the church for a few weeks to acquaint them with the Baptist Record. He tried the free trial plan and before the time was out the church had made the Baptist Record a part of its program.

Record readers in Scott County are now listed as follows: BETHLEHEM 47, BRANCH 47, Clifton 2, FOREST, FIRST 239, GOOD HOPE 42, HARPERVILLE 63, Hillsboro 3, HOMEWOOD 21, HOPEWELL 29, LAKE 57, LIBERTY 29, LUDLOW 87, MORTON 127, OAK GROVE 21, Pleasant Ridge 3, PULASKI 20, GROVETON 25, Cash 16, SAND RIDGE 20, SPRINGFIELD 69, UNION 27, and TWO MILE 32.

MCBEE COMES IN

McBee Church in Lowndes County is one of the newer churches of that section and it is also one of the newer churches on the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY list of The Baptist Record.

The pastor is Rev. J. B. Wages. Having had experience with the Baptist Record in a previous pastorate, Pastor Wages lost no time in leading this new church to make the Baptist Record a part of its program.

Baptist Record readers in Lowndes County are now listed as follows: Artesia 13, BORDER SPRINGS 33, Caledonia 2, CALVARY 75, COLUMBUS, FIRST 836, COLUMBUS, EAST END 154, Mayhew 14, MT. VERNON 39, Mt. Zion 1, NEW SALEM 56, PLEASANT HILL 34, PLYMOUTH 33, SOUTHSIDE 38, ANTIOCH 22, and MCBEE 7.

BRING UP A CHILD...

Recently the East Lawn Church was organized in Pascagoula. The membership is made up largely of members of the First Baptist Church. The First Church has the EVERY FAMILY Plan and these people had been getting it while members of the First Church on the First Church EVERY FAMILY Plan.

Upon the organization of the new church, the people knowing the value of the Record and the information that it brings, immediately made it part of the

Ministerial Ethics . . .

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personal taste. Nonconformity is unforgivable in the uninformed, but is not pardonable otherwise. If there is some reason why conformity cannot be made, the point should be explained. The same pastor may find it in perfect keeping with the desires of his people to wear coat and tie as part of his dress in the morning service, to leave off the coat in the evening service, and to wear a sport shirt at the Mid-week service.

2. It is always in order to remember that a pastor has to choose the words with which his message is conveyed. There are two rules to follow. The first is to use no word that he knows to be offensive when that word is unnecessary or when a good synonym can be used. The second is to find the meaning and connotations of any word of which there is doubt.

3. Never should a pastor condemn his congregation for the offense of an individual unless the congregation is responsible. In other words, never should he take out on his congregation his feelings toward an individual.

4. The nature and calling of a man will determine his type of message, whether it be pastoral, evangelistic, or prophetic. In either case, his divine ethic must demand of him the preaching of the truth and no conformity to the mere wish of any people. How often the preaching of the Gospel has been cramped because some preacher had it in his head that he had to earn his living preaching. One can easily see the tragedy to which this false concept leads. God keep us in such spirit of devotion to his will that we never become victims of such temptations.

5. Ethics in pastoral services demand art. One must ever be striving to become more efficient and effective at certain points in his message. He should make it a habit never to bore with a repetition of an illustration. He should never try to explain what he himself does not understand. In his invitation he should avoid trickery and embarrassment. In the matter of the ordinances he should ever be laboring to perform them more perfectly. These and other requirements should keep the pastor on his guard.

6. It is wise for a pastor never to be the one to voice recommendations from the floor of a business session of his church. The pastor should be moderator and that only. A motion or the introduction of a matter should come from the deacons, or a committee, or an individual other than himself. If the pastor will discuss his hopes and plans and suggestions with a committee and then play the part of referee alone, he will emerge a much more successful and happier pastor. He must ever keep before him that he is the leader of a democratic organization. It should always be possible to say, "The church did it, not the pastor."

7. One of the greatest problems faced as ministers is found in our being expected to give to the unchurched and the unsaved a Christian burial. Likewise, we are called upon to perform a Christian wedding for those who are not Christian. This we do through the authority, we say, invested in us by God. We are expected to ask God's blessings on such a program of the new church.

Jackson County Record readers are now listed as follows: EAST MOSS POINT 92, ESCATAWPA 43, Fort Bayou 10, BELLEFONTAIN 28, Freindship 18, CAUTIER 43, KREOLE 61, MOSS POINT 115, OCEAN SPRINGS 54, PASCAGOULA FIRST 471, PASCAGOULA, CALVARY, 143, PASCAGOULA, EAST SIDE 30, Red Creek-Union 15, UNITY 42, VANCLEAVE 34, WADE 54, Magnolia 11, PASCACOLA, EAST LAWN 35.

Dr. R. E. Beddoe Dies



DR. ROBERT E. BEDDOE

Dr. Robert E. Beddoe, above, for 38 years a medical missionary to China of the Southern Baptist Board, died January 1 at Shawnee, Okla., where he was staff physician for Oklahoma Baptist University.

He is survived by his widow and two daughters. One daughter, Mrs. Addie B. Choate, of Jackson, is a member of the Daniel Memorial Church.

Dr. Beddoe was the immediate predecessor at Stout Memorial hospital in Woonchow, China of the late Dr. Wallace, murdered last year by the Communists. Dr. Beddoe left China when his health failed, sometime before the Reds invaded his section. He had resigned at OBU and was going to move to Jackson to make his home here.

union. The social and practical ethic demands us to do this, permitting us little opportunity to express our disapproval. Whether there is a Divine Ethic in conflict with this and whether it will one day emerge, is yet to be seen.

8. The working together of a pastor and church should, as nearly as possible be on a business basis. It should be known as to when he is expected to preach, the remuneration he is to receive and when the vacation he is to receive and who is to be responsible for the supply. It is commendable on the part of any church to have a complete budget, even to the stated minimum if not the actual amount to be spent in the annual revival.

9. No church should feel that a pastor is obligated to it for any length of service, nor should a pastor feel that he is immune from being considered no longer the man for a certain church by the church. No pastor, however, should resign without reasonable notice (a month is none too short) to a church. Neither should a church be disposed to do the same to a pastor.

10. It should be accepted as good ethics on the part of a preacher to demand of a church the percentage of first votes cast for him in his call. A church should feel obligated to supply this information. If a man accepts a church, he should go into the work as though no one voted against him.

11. A pastor must always be on guard not to wrongly express himself toward the opposite sex or to give her opportunity to do so toward him. There are four situations that demand special guard: the greeting, the invitational service, the baptismal service, and the private conference or counsel. The pastor, by being careless in anyone of these, can quickly bring to himself a marred reputation.

12. Also he must make every effort pos-

WE HOPE ALL OF OUR READERS will have the privilege of reading THE FAITH THAT SINGS by Dr. P. Townley Lord, president of the Baptist World Alliance and prominent leader among British Baptists. The book contains thirty, brief, informal messages in which the author reminds us that "there is something wrong with the Christianity that forgets to sing." The four-page essays range in theme from vigorous affirmation of central, Christian doctrines to warm-hearted reminiscences of the old book-case in the author's childhood home. Dr. Louie D. Newton in his introduction to the book says "when have we had a book with a title quite so lifting?" The price is \$1.50 and orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

sible to express himself normally toward the men and boys of his church. Just one slip in this matter will mark a man for life whether he be actually guilty of any crime or not.

(To be continued)

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DOYLE FRANCIS BOYD

Doyle Francis Boyd, above, was recently licensed to the gospel ministry by the Bogue Chitto Church, Pike County, Rev. Charles Heltman, pastor. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Boyd of Holmesville, he is a student at Clarke College, Newton.

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LIBERTY CHURCH IN NEWTON County, under the leadership of Rev. T. L. Everett, Pastor, has gone from half-time to full-time services. This church has the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

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STATE MISSION WEEK OF PRAYER GIFTS

The gifts for this offering increased 14% this year over last. The total in 1951 was \$42,722.41 an increase of \$6,094.97 over 1950!

The LOTTIE MOON OFFERING for FOREIGN MISSIONS (up to this date) has exceeded the gifts of last year. It is our hope that we will go beyond \$100,000 in our Mississippi gifts for this cause.

B.W.C.'s Can You Top This?

One B.W.C. with 18 members has given \$219 to the Lottie Moon Offering. Let us know if you had a better record.

FEBRUARY HOME MISSION EMPHASIS

Study of the fields, the needs and results of work done stimulates us more in our praying, interest and giving.

W.M.U. President at Clarke College

Upon the request of the College, Miss Almarine Brown spent last week on the campus teaching W.M.U. methods to the Religious Education classes.

MRS. D. F. STAMPS TO HAWAII. All who attended the District meetings remember Mrs. Stamps of China. She and her husband are to sail Feb. 22 for Hawaii—where Dr. Stamps will serve as the pastor of the University Ave. Baptist Church in Honolulu. We rejoice with them in this opportunity for service.

MISS VIRGINIA MATHIS AND MARY LUCILLE SAUNDERS TO THE PHILIPPINES. They are to help in Vacation Bible Schools and summer conferences and are scheduled to leave on Feb. 22. All of the Business Women of Mississippi are particularly interested in these young women who spoke in most of our B.W.C. Federations last November.

No Words To Say Thank You

The Parkview Baptist Church, Phoenix, Arizona, was organized nearly ten years ago. The people through special gifts, pledges and personal loans erected a building with an auditorium seating 150. Two years later this building burned, leaving them without a place of worship. It was fortunately insured to cover their indebtedness and they had a few dollars left. But they were back where they had started. No money and no place to worship. A membership of about 175 were in a very sad and discouraging situation. The church began to pray for God's leadership in that hour which was so dark. After much prayer one of the charter members, a deacon, who had a very large home near by and ample property, offered his home for a place of worship until they could do better. The church accepted.

Then they began to pray for money to erect a new building. They applied to the Home Mission Board for a loan which was granted. In 1945, on Mother's Day, they moved into a new place of worship. The building was just walls, no roof and no windows. But it was God's house and little by little it had been finished.

The floors have recently been tiled, a new vestibule has been built in the front, a steeple has been added and the building has been given two coats of paint. It has grown in stewardship from gifts of about \$400 a month to \$1,300 a month. We hope to begin very soon a 40' by 60' unit as an educational plant.

The Rev. A. R. Snipes has been pastor

since October of 1950 and during his first year one hundred and seven were baptized and we have had 100 additions by letter. Parkview Baptist Church led the state in baptisms last year.

It is impossible to find words in our vocabulary to say what the loan from the Home Mission Board has meant to the Parkview Baptist Church. and to lost and dying humanity. We are grateful to the Annie Armstrong Offering for helping make the money available for us.

BONUS WANTED

Mr. W. G. Mize of the Baptist Orphanage called the office to let us know that it is possible to "double your money!" Send the coupons to the Baptist Orphanage IMMEDIATELY—if they get here before Jan. 29 it means the Orphanage and Camp will receive double their value! Check on this and send those coupons—the young people could go from house to house collecting them so there will be more!

A-1 ORGANIZATIONS FOR 1951

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Charleston (Jr. G.A.)
Eupora (Y.W.A.)
Main Street (Marie Robinson Y.W.A.)
Charleston (Y.W.A.)

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Lee To West Union

Rev. Morrell Lee, Pastor of the Sidon church, has been called as pastor of the West Union church in Pearl River Association and will assume his pastorate there in February.

The church at Sidon has shown a substantial growth under the leadership of Brother Lee. A Training Union Revival has just been held under the leadership of Miss Louise Hill of the State Training Union Department.

He was formerly a pastor in Pearl River County.

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Church Runs Anti-Liquor Ads

BLUFTON, Ga.—(RNS)—The Baptist church here has begun a program of counteracting appealing liquor ads.

Every week, the church's temperance committee runs a small, two-column ad in The News Record, published at Fort Gaines, Ga., as an appeal to young people on such themes as "Think Before You Drink."

The committee hopes that interested groups of laymen in other churches and communities will join them in this advertising effort which they say would cost only a few dollars per week.

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A diamond is a chunk of coal that stayed on the job.—Brotherhood Journal.

Ellisville Church Calls John P. Oakes



REV. JOHN P. OAKES

Rev. John P. Oakes, pastor of the Foxworth Church, has accepted the call to become pastor of the Ellisville Church and will assume his work there in the near future.

He will succeed Rev. W. L. Clark who recently went into the chaplaincy. The church at Foxworth has grown consistently under the leadership of Mr. Oakes. He has also been active in associational and denominational affairs.

He has been associational Training Union Director, president of the Marion County Ministerial Association and president of the Marion County Pastors' Conference.

He is a graduate of Howard College, Birmingham and the New Orleans Seminary. Mrs. Oakes is also active in the work, having studied at Howard, the University of Alabama and the New Orleans Seminary.

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Picayune Ordains Stewart As Deacon

Clyde E. Stewart was recently ordained as deacon in the First Church of Picayune. The service was conducted by Pastor J. R. Maddox who served as Moderator.

Following the dedicatory prayer and the laying on of hands, Pastor Maddox delivered the sermon and Rev. Roy Stockstill, assistant pastor, gave the charge.

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DR. AND MRS. SAMUEL G. RANKIN, Southern Baptist missionaries of the China staff, may be addressed at Bamberg, S.C. He is a native of Sandy Hook, Miss.

THE MINUTES OF THE SCOTT County Baptist Association have been received in the Baptist Record office. The minutes are attractively bound in a blue paper binding. The next session will be held with the Ridge Church on October 23-24.

NBC To Telecast SB Program

The first network telecast by the Radio Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention will be presented next Sunday, Jan. 27 when a 30-minute program featuring Charles Wellborn will be seen and heard.

"Designs for Living" will be the message to be used on the NBC "Frontiers of Faith" program, a regular weekly feature. Music will be supplied by the choir of the Calvary Baptist Church in New York City. Frank Boggs, Baptist Hour soloist, will also be featured. The program will originate in New York.

Most of the stations will carry it at that time, but a few will carry it later by kinescope film. The following stations in this vicinity will carry the program on Jan. 27: WBRC-TV, Birmingham, and WMCT, Memphis. WBSU-TV, New Orleans will carry the same program on February 3 at the same time.

Dr. S. F. Lowe, director of the Commission, has expressed the hope that this broadcast will mark the beginning of active participation in the television field by Southern Baptists. This opportunity came as an invitation from the National Broadcasting Co.

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Goes To Columbus, Educational Director



MERLE T. BASDEN

Merle T. Basden of Memphis has accepted the position as Educational Director of the First Baptist Church of Columbus according to Dr. S. R. Woodson, pastor of the church.

He will succeed Rev. W. Otis Seal who has gone to Itta Bena as pastor.

Mr. Basden recently completed his work at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, for the degree of Master of Religious Education. He has also served three years in the Army.

He is a brother of Dr. Harold G. Basden, Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson.

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Mendenhall to Erect Educational Building

The Mendenhall church has taken a step forward in awarding a contract for the erection of a \$46,750 educational building. Rev. C. C. Jones is the pastor.

The new building will be erected directly behind the church and plans call for a three story building to accommodate three hundred people. Four thousand square feet of floor space is called for.

The building is expected to be completed within three months.

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THIS HAPPENED LAST NIGHT

It was our privilege to attend the quarterly Associational Brotherhood meeting of Covington County at Mt. Olive last night with Ralph Herrin, president, presiding. Three messages were delivered and below we are giving you the outlines and notes that we secured from the messages.

WHAT I EXPECT OF MY PASTOR

J. L. Ponder

I. Confine his activities to his church and flock.

II. Not financial secretary.

III. Discuss church affairs democratically.

IV. Visit all his members and not confine it to his best paying ones.

V. Have a sense of humor.

VI. That he Preach the Gospel -

Finish when he gets through.

WHAT I EXPECT OF MY LAYMEN

Rev. H. D. Jordan

1. Have an experience of grace, and live like men who have been born again—That will not hinder my ministry to the lost.

2. To be a praying layman—Ought not expect preachers to spend 12 hours preparing a sermon if you spend 2 minutes preparing your heart.

3. A Sharing layman, Comes to give as well as receive.

4. A Witnessing layman—daring in faith.

A Seeing layman—Vision.

6. A Loving layman—(all people).

7. A Learning layman—Study God's Word—active in training and service.

8. An Attending layman.

9. Preserving layman.

MEMBERSHIP IN A
NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH

REV. W. B. ABEL

Scripture pre-requisites

1. Regeneration

2. Baptism

Lord's Baptism and not "somebodies"

Must be a voluntary association by the individual—You can't join someone, they must do it. A decision the individual must make and another cannot do it for him.

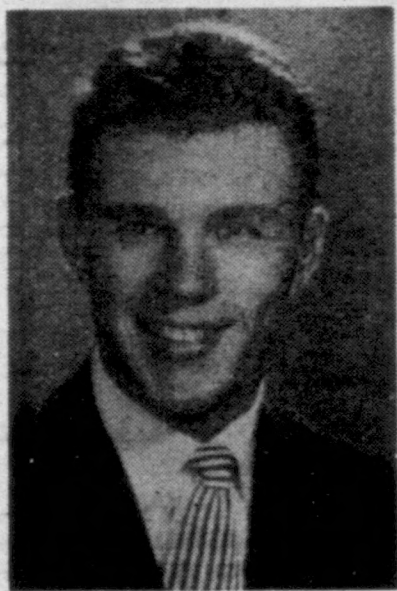
Requires something on part of the church—no committee does this, the church.

Everything on a majority basis, except membership—must be unanimous. Can't be dismissed until voted out or die.

The most serious covenant of a persons life is that of his relationship with his church.

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DALTON BURCH

Dalton Burch, senior at Miss. Southern, is our new State President, having been elected to the position during the State Convention at Miss. State last fall. Please remember him and his thirteen fellow State Council members prayerfully.

POTPOURRI

The American Bible Society day in Miss. is January 27. This great organization deserves our financial support. Be as liberal as possible. . . Until further notice, applications for Student Summer Missions in Hawaii, western U.S., are being received in this office. . . Recent meeting at Miss. College of Mississippi's BSU Secretaries was best ever with only four absent. . . We congratulate Pastor F. M. Purser, membership of Oxford Church on their beautiful new building. . . Congratulations and best wishes to Pearl River Jr. BSU Sec'y E. Layne Trickey Seal and her husband Prof. Enoch Seal Jr., of P.R.C., on their recent marriage. . . One of the best Christmas messages we received was a very interesting and inspirational account of mission activity in Nigeria from Cora Joyce and Ralph Davis, formerly of Woman's College. . . Sixty-eight tithers are reported from MSCW, five unsaved

from Southwest Jr. . . "I enjoy reading it and often get some good ideas from it." writes Student Sec'y Elbert Williams, of La. College, about Mississippi Miscellany. "It is a great help to me," writes Margaret Bruce, Birmingham, Southwide W.M.U. Young Peoples' leader. Miscellany is free to anyone whose name and address we receive.

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B. B. MCGEE IS
ABBEVILLE PASTOR

Rev. B. B. McGee recently resigned the Poplar Springs Church in Calhoun County to accept the pastorates at Abbeville and Taylor in Lafayette County. Abbeville is a half-time church and Taylor is quarter-time.

The Abbeville people welcomed the McGee family with a full pantry and a shower for the children.

During the year that Mr. McGee was at Poplar Springs, a WMS was organized, a pastorium built and mission gifts were greatly increased.

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Next comes a Japanese boy who wants to thank you for helping to answer General Douglas MacArthur's challenge to provide quickly 30 million copies of Japanese Scriptures to reach "every village and hamlet in the land."

The fourth is a boy in Germany who never had a Bible until you sent him one. The life of his whole family has been completely changed by reading God's Word.

Has your church given recently to the American Bible Society? If so, the messages of thanks from these boys are really appropriate. If not, we feel sure you will claim their messages as "thanks in advance" and plan to make a gift soon.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Dr. L. Bracey Campbell
For January 27

NICODEMUS, A HESITANT FOLLOWER
Bible Text: John 3:1-18; 7:45-53

I. VISITOR BY NIGHT

Or should I say, "A Benighted Visitor?"

1. "A man of the Pharisees." So he belonged to the party most active in opposition to Jesus. This is the party that opposed Jesus from the very beginning and finally did Him to death. But this man of the Pharisee had his big virtue: He had an open mind.

2. "Named Nicodemus," which means "Victorious Among His People" or "Conqueror of His People." Now, when a name really names, when it gives some-what of the character of the bearer, it may be significant. Along the paths of history gleam the names of men and women that light the progress of the race and mark great epochs in the advancement of our kind, e.g., Moses, Joshua, Samuel, John the Baptist, Augustine, Luther, Calvin, Wesley, Roger Williams, Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln. Unfortunately for him, the name of Nicodemus has not stood and does not stand for prompt decision of character and loyalty to conviction.

3. "A ruler of the Jews." Here was a man of eminent station. His position was one of great prominence. He was a learned man, else he had not attained to his exalted office. He could not have been a very young man, for it was required of the sanhedrists that they be grey-headed. They were all elders, men of years and extensive learning.

4. "The teacher of Israel." Read the whole of the Lord's question: "Art thou the teacher of Israel?" Not "a teacher" but "the teacher." The King James translators and all who have followed them here got it wrong. He was the teacher, in all likelihood, the president of the rabbinical college in Jerusalem. This marks him as the most influential man among all the leading Pharisees. No man among the Jews attained to this exalted position except he was master of great wealth, so Nicodemus may be assumed to be a man of means.

This man came to Jesus by night. Because he was afraid to be seen to come to Jesus? People have thought so, and have berated Nicodemus for being a coward. Because he wanted a private interview with Jesus, undisturbed by interruptions by members of the idly curious throng? I want to believe this. Nicodemus wanted to know the truth and thought he could come to an understanding of it better by a private, personal interview than any otherwise.

The signs that Jesus was making, the supernatural words and works of His lips and hands had convinced Nicodemus that in Jesus people were seeing an unusual teacher sent from God. There are a few half-baked scholars, unturned cakes of would-be wisdom, burn on the bottom, soft on the top, and raw in the middle, who puff out the wind-filled chest and boast that no scholar anywhere would accept as real any supposed evidence of the reality of the supernatural. But here was the greatest scholar, most learned man of the most learned race in the world declaring to a young man, "We know you have come from God: no merely natural man does the things that you are doing."

II. THE HELPFUL LORD OF LEARNING

"Jesus answered." He always did, has done, does and will. No perplexed man or woman bewildered in the conflux of the world's confusion, brings a problem to Jesus in vain. He listens in patience and answers with the wisdom of God. Be very sure of this, O Brother of the Troubled Heart, Jesus will not turn you away in sincerity you bring your trou-

Harrisburg Burns Note, Pastor Resigns

The Harrisburg Church in Tupelo was dedicated in a special service held there Sunday, January 13.

An interesting feature of the service was the traditional note burning ceremony, participated in by James Jackson, chairman of the building committee; L. D. Hancock, chairman of the finance committee; and Pat Coley, church treasurer.

The pastor of the church, Rev. Winfred Moore, who preached the dedication sermon, has resigned in order to accept the pastorate of the First Church of Borger,

bles, perplexities, doubts, to Him! Of this you may be very sure. His answer to Nicodemus was kindly and sympathetic.

III. THE ONE ESSENTIAL

"Except one be born anew, he can not see the kingdom of God." The natural heart, the heart that is not with the lust of things, filled with the love of things, can not feel against it the beat of the heart of God, just can not be filled with the love of the Eternal. Ears that are constantly assailed by the crash and clang and crash and clamor of things can not hear above this jangling din the still small voice of God. Eyes that are filled with the dust of things and blinded by the clouds of doubt and dank disaster and despair can not see the kingdom of God. "Ye must be born anew."

This is the truth that every man-made scheme of sociology, of psychology, of psychiatry, of philosophy ever devised by reason unaided by the enlightening Spirit of the Almighty ignores to its own destruction. It stands written in the words of the great teacher, and He spoke them because they are true, and they are true because He spoke them. He to whom to speak falsely is impossible. The whole nature must be made new, the natural heart must be made to love in a new way and by a new power. The sin-clouded mind must be made over, so it can think God's thoughts. The human, selfish, sinful will must be renewed so it may harmonize with the will of God.

"Marvel not that I said unto thee, 'Ye must be born anew.'" Why, Teacher?

1. There is in every natural man that which is radically wrong. There is in every man such a tendency to sin as leads him inevitably to do it. We fall or slide into wrong, but we never fall or slide into righteousness.

2. There must be a radical change, a change that affects the whole nature, and that of an abiding, life-directing character if we are to love God and be like God and so "see the kingdom of God."

3. No man can work in himself this complete, radical change. Natural man is down in a deep, deep well from which he can not lift himself. He is helpless in the grasp of a paralysis which has him unable to move in effort to lift himself.

4. If the foregoing propositions are true, the only power that can change man is the power of the God who made him.

5. If only God can work this necessary change, it follows that He must do it either with or without your consent. He never saves a human soul, never regenerates a human soul, never bears a soul anew without the consent of the soul to be so reborn. Man is not a machine. My watch is. When it fails me in function I take it to the watchmaker: he works upon it. The watch gives consent. But God made man in His own image and He respects the creature He has made. Because He so respects man, God will not force man's free consent to the change that must take place in man if he is to undergo the new birth without which he can not see.

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REV. WINFRED MOORE

Texas. He will begin his work there Feb. 1.

The Rev. Mr. Moore has been pastor at Harrisburg for several years and has led the church in a number of achievements, one of which was the erection of the beautiful, commodious house of worship which was dedicated.

This church has had a unique history and a rapid growth. It was organized only in September of 1933 in a school building with 22 charter members. Today it has a membership of more than 700. It went full time in 1941 with 138 members. It was one of the first churches in the Convention to install air-conditioning.

In addition to its local gains it has kept pace in mission gifts. Last year it was 19th in the list of the largest givers in the state to the Cooperative Program.

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

By Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr.
50 Years Ago

The Biloxi Baptist Church closed a meeting of days resulting in 12 accessions for baptism and four by letter, Pastor J. B. Searcy being assisted by Rev. W. A. McComb. About \$1,800 were collected to pay off the debt on the house of worship.

40 Years Ago

The Eupora Church on a recent Sunday entered into their new house of worship, a brick structure heated by a furnace, with thirteen S.S. rooms and a ladies' parlor. Rev. J. R. G. Hewlett, pastor.

Mrs. T. J. Bailey is elected editor of the Woman's Work in the state to succeed Mrs. G. W. Riley, who becomes Recording Secretary of the Central Committee.

25 Years Ago

The Editor relates the account of the marriage of Rev. J. R. Kyzar and Miss Elizabeth Wilkinson of Bardstown, Ky., where he, a Mississippian, is pastor.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Clinton Church gave \$350 to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering.

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Booklet on Vatican Appointment Circulates over 100,000 to Date

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(BP)—The initial printing of 100,000 copies of "An Ambassador to the Vatican," by Dr. J. M. Dawson, executive secretary of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs in Washington, was exhausted soon after January 1 and another 50,000 have been ordered, according to Dr. Dawson.

The booklet was published recently to outline the Baptist stand on President Truman's appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican. The Committee made the publication available to all members of the four Baptist groups in the United States represented by the Committee.

Dr. Dawson says that the second printing of 50,000 was ordered by the Protestant and Other Americans United organization in Washington.

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BAPTIST HOUR LISTENER COMMENTS ON LIQUOR

Nov. 18, 1951

Mr. Charles Welborn of the Baptist Hour, Dear Sir:

I've just now heard you on today's broadcast, and want to tell you how much I appreciate your messages. I listen regularly to the Baptist Hour every Sunday when it is possible for me to do so.

Your talk today about how the liquor business is killing people struck me very forcibly. For several years I've been working at a hospital where one can see so much of the mangled bodies that are brought in because someone was drinking liquor. One case especially was a young man and his wife, fine, clean, Christians, doing work for their church (Baptists) were terribly broken and mangled so that they were hospitalized for several weeks, just because a drunk driver was on the wrong side of the road.

The drunk was blamed of course, but was he any more to blame than the keeper of the tavern by the road that invited, encouraged, and enticed him to stop and drink? Was he any more to blame than the brewers and distillers who make the liquor? And to bring it down closer to the rest of us, was he any more to blame than the voters who turned down the Prohibition ballot and vote other party tickets in a national election?

Yours sincerely,

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SGT. HERBERT G. CLINTON, (U. S. Air Force) son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Clinton, of Hattiesburg, preached his first sermon December 30, at the post chapel, Camp Hakata, Japan. A member of the Providence Church in Lebanon Association, he recently surrendered to the ministry.

THE AUTHOR OF FIVE BOOKS OF worship and devotional materials for young people and their leaders, Robert Lee Middleton, who is chief accountant for the Baptist Sunday School Board, has written another book which will challenge you to live more abundantly. It is entitled DON'T DISAPPOINT GOD! (\$2.00). The twenty chapters are grouped under the title of the book as follows: Don't Disappoint God—When Facing Life's Great Decisions—When Planning Your Life—In Your Devotional Life—In the Stewardship of Life—When Your Faith Wavers. Because of its variety of subject matter and its wealth of illustrative material, this book offers valuable resources for worship programs and talks before youth groups. It is published by the Broadman Press, Nashville, Tennessee. Order from the Baptist Book Store.



MISS FAY LEE

Miss Fay Lee, daughter of Mrs. Elsie T. Lee of Brookhaven, has been elected as "Miss Clarke Memorial College." She is editor of the BSU paper, THE UNIFIER and secretary of the Newton County Association Training Union.

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Baptists and Catholic

Fundamentally, there are but two structural principles on which churches are founded. One is the direct contact of a sovereign soul with a sovereign God and the obedience of that soul to God in all things—that is the Baptist position. The other is the subordination of God's authority to human authority and the separation of the individual from direct contact with God and access to Him by the interposition of human ordinances, rules, regulations, requirements and human authority. That is the Catholic position.

Therefore, Baptists are irrevocably separated from Catholics and also from all forms of belief and from all churches which subordinate the individual to the control of human institutions, and from Christian groups which impose a barrier of any sort between the individual and God.

Hence, churches which practice infant baptism, or hold to the idea that the ordinances are sacramental or which have established orders in the ministry, or which have ecclesiastical control of the churches, are automatically fenced off from Baptists.

In fact, if everything that Baptists hold were taken away from such churches what remains would be Catholic. For instance, immersion is Baptist; sprinkling is Catholic; individualism in religion is Baptist. Regeneration by the Holy Spirit acting directly on the sovereign soul of the individual when he believes is Baptist; regeneration through the sacraments of the church is Catholic. The symbolic view of the ordinances is Baptist; the sacramental view is Catholic. The equality of ministers is Baptist; orders in the ministry is Catholic. The democracy of the church is Baptist; hierarchical control is Catholic. The separation of church and state is Baptist, the union of church and state is Catholic. On and on we might go, and when we finished, we would have two Christian groups which are absolutely distinctive, Baptists and Catholics, and only two.

J. B. Lawrence, in So. Baptists Home Missions.

"Missionaries" Unawares . . .

By FRANK K. MEANS

Haneda Airport, Tokyo, Japan, fairly bustles with incessant activity at all hours of the day and night. It is the chief port of entry for both civilian and military visitors who arrive by plane. Not far away is Yokohama, the point of disembarkation for boat passengers.

One's first impression of Japan are invariably linked with American personnel, because they are very much in evidence. Missionary visitors eagerly scan the faces beyond the customs barrier for some glimpse of missionary friends—and they are not disappointed!

Southern Baptists have a missionary staff in Japan of which they may justly be proud. They are young, energetic, consecrated, resourceful, and eager. The Japanese language is, for most of them, very difficult. Another major problem which they face is adjusting themselves to the strange ways of a country in which American influence is felt but not predominant.

The missionaries receive real encouragement and tangible assistance from members of the armed forces stationed in Japan, both from Southern Baptist chaplains and devoted church members who did not leave their Christian witness at home in the States. The vitality of their faith makes a marked impression upon the Japanese.

Dr. W. Boyd Hunt, pastor, First Baptist Church, Houston, preached to an English-speaking audience in Tokyo last summer which was presided over by Chaplain Hale Evans. Col. Ivan L. Bennett, chief of chaplains for United Nations forces in Korea, attended the service and asked for additional funds with which to finance the publication of a Korean hymnal for use among the troops and by evangelical congregations. A Mrs. Cook from Yokohama and Charlotte, N. C., told of plans for the establishment of a "Japanese Ridgecrest" in the mountains not far from Tokyo. Four or five thousand dollars were needed immediately. The unidentified members of the audience no doubt responded to both appeals.

The Tokyo missionaries know they can always depended upon Mr. and Mrs. Jim Aiken. Missionary visitors also have occasion to be grateful for their gracious hospitality.

At Kobe, "Dr. Jim," a Navy doctor who had returned from Korea less than twenty-four hours before, came to a worship service in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Sherer, Southern Baptist missionaries. Alabama is his home. "Dr. Jim" is a dynamic Christian who also doubles as the Sherers' personal physician.

Etajima, once Japan's Annapolis where future admirals were trained, is now a U. S. military base. Sgt. and Mrs. Bob Frazier, stationed there, have been of great assistance to the Curtis Askews who regularly cross the bay by ferry and conduct afternoon Bible classes in the chapel annex for Japanese employees at the base.

Camp Hakata, near Fukuoka, is the medical center to which many of the men wounded in the Korean fighting have been evacuated. Major A. V. Bradley is base chaplain. He conducts services in English to which English-Speaking Japanese are invited. The contributions of his chapel audiences assist in financing a mission for Japanese who do not speak English. His program has the sympathetic support of Colonel Powers and Colonel Moorsund, the top-ranking officers at Camp Hakata. Doctor Treadwell, medical officer, is one of Chaplain Bradley's most reliable helpers.

Captain S. W. Cowles is chaplain at Camp Kokura. Generous gifts from his

Named Advisory Editor—



DR. HERBERT LOCKYER

Pictured above is Dr. Herbert Lockyer, well-known author of devotional books and books on Bible prophesy. Dr. Lockyer has just accepted an appointment as Advisory Editor for the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Dr. Lockyer is a native of England, but now makes his home in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He is in great demand all over the nation as a speaker on prophetic subjects. Among the unusual and timely booklets he has penned are PROPHETIC FOOTNOTES ON TODAY'S HEADLINES, THE H-BOMB AND THE END OF THE AGE, IT IS LATER THAN WE THINK, ARE THESE THE LAST DAYS? DRAMA OF FAST-MOVING EVENTS, and PREDICTIONS OF THINGS TO COME.

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FLEMING H. REVELL COMPANY, Westwood, N. J., has recently released CALLED OF GOD: THE WORK OF THE MINISTRY (\$1.75) by Gilbert L. Guffin with an introduction by Dr. Andrew W. Blackwood. Here is a presentation and an analysis of the qualities essential to making the methods of the ministry adequate in these days of crisis. Dr. Guffin deals with the character of the minister's office, the scope of his task, the quality of his motive, the nature of his conduct, and the propriety of his method. He further points out the minister's most effective instrument for service and leadership and discusses the minister's position in this age and his possibilities for the world of tomorrow. This is a challenging book for ministers, a revealing book for laymen. Mr. Guffin, now president of the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, began his ministry by serving the pulpits of rural churches in Georgia and Alabama. Order from the publishers or from the Baptist Book Store.

congregations are sent to Seinan Jo Gakuin, Southern Baptist Girls' School located in the same city.

Captain Cowles introduced his missionary visitors to Colonel Johnson, post commander, and Colonel Marks of the American Graves Registration Service. Colonel Johnson expressed concern with reference to dope peddling and addiction among our troops.

Unfortunately, the conduct of some armed forces personnel, by virtue of their complete disregard of Christian standards, makes the missionaries' work much more difficult. On the other hand, they are extremely grateful for the assistance of devoted Christians who are not ashamed of the gospel of Christ.

Dr. Means, the Foreign Mission Board's secretary for missionary education and promotion, visited a number of Southern Baptist mission fields last summer, including the areas in the Orient into which Southern Baptists have recently entered. Beginning with the January, 1952, issue, The Commission will carry a series of articles on these countries by Dr. Means and his traveling companions.